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Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing please find the following items (18 + 1 pages) relating to the above-identified application:

(1)Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (18 pages).

If you have any questions or comments concerning this matter, please call the undersigned at your earliest convenience. Otherwise, please accept the enclosed.

Sincerely.

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This is a response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated February 11, 2005 due for reply by March 11, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 17 of this paper.